Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Andrew Shook S7485 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of North Carolina County of Hayward: SS

On this 2nd day of October 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable the Judges of the Superior Court of law & Equity for said County of Haywood being a Court of record now Sitting Andrew Shook a resident of said County & State aged Seventy-eight years who first being duly Sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed the 7th June 1832.

That he resided in what is now Lincoln County North Carolina when he entered the Service of the United States under the following named officers and Served as herein Stated (to wit) that in the month of March in the year 1775 as he believes he entered the United States Service as a volunteer in the company commanded by Captain William Bateman [William Beekman] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Christopher Bateman [Lieutenant Colonel Christopher Beekman] in an expedition against the Scotch Tories at what was then called Cross Creek Now Fayetteville North Carolina which tour lasted from 1 to 2 months the precise time not now recollected a part of them having been taken & the balance dispersed before he reached that place and he remained there but a short time.

That in August in the year 1776 according to his best recollection he was drafted for a tour against the Cherokee Indians in the company commanded by Captain Rodolph Conrad [Conrad Rudolph] in the Regiment commanded of said Colonel Bateman [Beekman] in the expedition Commanded by General Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford] against the Valley towns of the Cherokee Indians and returned about the Middle of October in that year having Served a little over two months as he now believes.

In the Spring of the year 1781 as he now thinks he was drafted for a three months tour in the company commanded by Captain Daniel Smith to Guard the frontier against the incursions of the Cherokee Indians at Davidson's Fort at the head of the Catawba River in what is now Burke County North Carolina and Served out the term of time for which he was drafted at that place.

In the Summer of the year 1776 as he believes he Served a campaign against said Indians in the Company commanded by Captain Samuel Killian in the Regiment of Colonel Joseph McDowell in the expedition Commanded by General Charles McDowell against the Cherokee Indians and Served in the same as a mounted rifle man seven or eight weeks to the best of his recollection he received no discharge for any of his Services to the best of his recollection.

He was born in the State of Pennsylvania North Hampton [Northampton] County in the year 1755 from thence Moved into what is now Lincoln County North Carolina where he lived when he performed the above Service and now lives in the County of Haywood in Said State he was never attached to any of the Continental or regular troops nor was he acquainted with any of the regular officers he has no documentary evidence of his Service & does not know of any person whose Testimony he can procure who can Testify as to his Service except that herewith transmitted.

Quest 1st Where were you born

Ans In North Hampton County in the State of Pennsylvania

Quest 2nd Have you any record of your age

Ans I have none

Quest 3rd Where were you living when called into the Service Where have you lived since the revolutionary War & where do you now live

Ans I was living in What is now Lincoln County North Carolina when I entered the Service I now live in Haywood County in said State

Quest 4th How were you called into Service were you drafted did you volunteer or were you a Substitute

Ans. The first tour I served as a volunteer the others I was drafted

Quest 5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served such Continental & Militia regiments as you can recollect and the General circumstances of your Service

Ans. I knew none of the regular officers there being none with the troops I served with nor was I with any continental Regiment as I now think nor have I a distinct recollection of the militia regiments I served with all the time I served was against the Indians except the first tour against the Scotch – Quest 6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the Service if so by whom was it given & what has become of it

Ans I received none as I now believe

Quest 7 State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who Can testify as to your Character for Veracity and their Belief of your Service as a Soldier of the revolution Ans I am acquainted with Jacob Fulbright and Jacob Shook, there being no Clergyman [in] my neighborhood with whom I am acquainted Who is acquainted with my Revolutionary character – he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

S/ Andrew Shook, X his mark

[Jacob Fulbright and Jacob Shook gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of North Carolina Haywood County: This day personally appeared before me John L Dillard an acting Justice of the peace in and for said County Jacob Shook of said County who being duly sworn saith that he served with Andrew Shook the 3 first tours mentioned in his aforesaid declaration for a pension & knows he performed the service therein stated & that he has no knowledge of his serving the last mentioned tour.

Sworn to & subscribed before me the 2nd day of October 1833

S/J L Dillard, JP

S/ Jacob Shook Jacab Shapk

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the North Carolina militia.]

Another Version

Pension Application of Andrew Shook, Natl Archives Microseries M804, Roll 1772, Application #S7485

Haywood County, North Carolina, October 2nd, 1833, Andrew Shook, aged 78 years: "That he resided in what is now Lincoln County, NC when he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers...That in the month of March in the year 1775, as he now thinks, he entered the service as a volunteer in the company commanded by Captain William Bateman [spelled Beekman] in the regiment commanded by Colonel Christopher Bateman [spelled Beekman] in the brigade commanded by General Rutherford, and marched to what was then called Cross Creek [now Fayetteville, NC] against the Scotch Tories, which tour lasted one month or more, the precise time now not recollected. As a part of the Tories being taken and the balance dispersed before he reached that place, he remained at that place but a short time."

"That in August [according to the best of his recollections] in the year 1776, he was drafted for a tour against the Cherokee Indians in the company commanded by Captain Rodolf Conrad in the regiment of said Colonel Bateman in the expedition commanded by General Rutherford. _____ the valley towns of the Cherokee Indians and returned about the middle of October in that ?tour having served a little over two months, as he now believes."

"In the spring of the year 1781 [as he now thinks], he was drafted for a 3 months tour in the company commanded by Captain Daniel Smith to guard the frontier against the incursions of the Cherokee Indians at Davidson's Fort on the head of the Catawba River in what is now Burke County, NC and served out the time for which he was drafted in that place."

"In the summer of 1776, as he now believes, he served a campaign against said Indians in the company commanded by Captain Samuel ?Killian in the regiment of Colonel Joseph McDowell in the expedition commanded by General Charles McDowell against the Cherokee Indians, and served in the same as a mounted rifleman 7 or 8 weeks, to the best of his recollection. He received no discharge from any of his services, to the best of his recollection."

"He was born in the county of Northampton, Pennsylvania in the year 1755. From thence moved into what is now Lincoln County, NC, where he lived when he performed the above service, and now lives in the county of Haywood, NC."